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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 applicant hereby notifies the United States Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO-1449 form and which the Examiner may deem relevant to the patentability of the claims in the above-identified application. One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (1) no later than three months from the application's filing date or (2) before the mailing date of an Office Action on the merits (whichever is later), and therefore no certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for the listed foreign language documents, applicant encloses herewith a copy of a corresponding foreign Search Report citing each of these documents, together with an English-language version of that portion of the Search Report indicating the degree of relevance (if not already included) found by the foreign office. The first seven foreign language documents listed on the attached forms PTO-1449 correspond to those listed on the International Search Report (copy attached). The remaining five foreign language documents listed on the attached forms PTO-1449 correspond to those listed in the International Preliminary Examination Report (copy attached).

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Respectfully submitted, VARNDELL & VARNDELL, PLLC (formerly VARNDELL LEGAL GROUP)

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